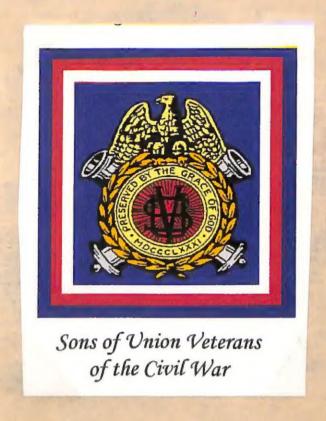


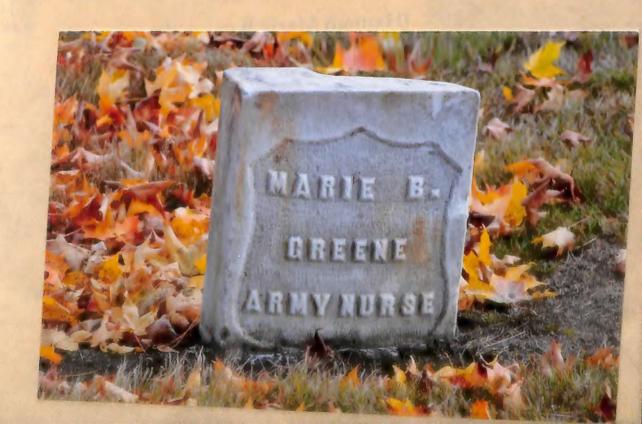
Marie Barton Greene Freedom Ring

Born April 21st 1826 Died December 13th 1906

Buried in Prospect Hill Cemetery, Uxbridge, MA

Civil War Nurse





CLARA BARTON. — The following is an extract of a letter from Brigade Surgeon James L. Dunn:

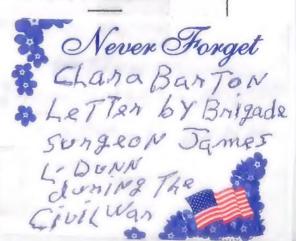
"The Sanitary Commission, together with three or four noble, self-sacrificing women, have furnished everything that could be required. I will tell you of one of these women, a Miss Barton, the daughter of Judge Barton, of Boston, Mass. I first met her at the battle of Cedar Mountain, where she appeared in front of the hospital at twelve o'clock at night, with a four mule team loaded with everything needed, and at a time when we were entirely out of dressings of every kind; she supplied us with everything; and while the shells were bursting in every direction, took her course to the hospital on our right, where she found everything wanting again. After doing everything she could on the field, she returned to Culpepper, where she staid dealing out shirts to the naked wounded, and preparing soup, and seeing it prepared, in all the hospitals. I thought that night if Heaven ever sent out an angel, she must be one, her assistance was so timely. Well, we began our retreat up the Rappahannock. I thought no more of our lady friend, only that she had gone back to Washington. We arrived on the disastrous field of Bull Run; and while the battle was raging the fiercest on Friday, who should drive up in front of our hospital but this same woman, with her mules almost dead, having made forced marches from Washington to the army. She was again a welcome visitor to both the wounded and the surgeons.

"The battle was over, our wounded removed on Sunday, and we were ordered to Fairfax Station; we had hardly got there before the battle of Chantilly commenced, and soon the wounded began to come in. Here we had nothing but our instruments—not even a bottle of wine. When the curs whistled up to the station, the first person on the platform was Miss Barton, to again supply us with bandages, brandy, wine, prepared soup, jellies, meal, and every article that could be thought of. She staid there until the last wounded

soldier was p'aced on the cars, and then bade us

"I wrote you at the time how we got to Alexandria that night and next morning. Our soldiers had no time to rest after reaching Washington, but were ordered to Maryland by forced marches. Several days of hard marching brought us to Frederick, and the battle of South Mountain followed. The next day our army stood face to face with the whole force. The rattle of one hundred and fifty thousand muskets, and the fearful thunder of over two hundred cannon, told us that the great battle of Antietam had commenced. I was in a hospital in the afternoon, for it was then only that the wounded began to come in.

"We had expended every bandage, torn up every sheet in the house, and everything we could find, when who should drive up but our old friend Miss Barton, with a team loaded down with dressings of every kind, and everything we could ask for. She distributed her articles to the different hospitals, worked all night making soup, all the next day and night; and when I left, four days after the battle, I left her there ministering to the wounded and the dying. When I returned to the field hospital last week, she was still at work, supplying them with delicacies of every kind, and administering to their wants — all of which she does out of her own private fortune. Now, what do you think of Miss Barton? In my feeble estimation, Gen. McClellan, with all his laurels, sinks into insignificance beside the true heroine of the age — the angel of the battle-field."





Clara Barton

WOMEN OF COLUMBUS MISSISSIPPI

On April 25, 1865, the Sunday after Easter, eight women from Columbus Mississippi who lost their husbands in the Civil War, met at a garden, and, motivated with nobler sentiments than many of their sisters in the town, gathered arms full of flowers and marched to the town cemetery where the war left it's dead from both armies. They strewed flowers alike on the graves of all the soldiers. Their noble deeds were repeated each year, and in 1867 their story was published in the New York Tribune. General John A Logan Commander in Chief of the Grand Army of the Republic was emotionally motivated by their story, later proclaimed the May 30, 1868 would be known as Memorial Day, and that all members will go forth and place flowers on the graves of their fallen comrades. In 1867 some one wrote a poem about these women, and it was published in the Atlantic Monthly Magazine in September of 1869.

Poem of 1867

- Those in the hour of glory
 Those in the gloom of defeat
 With all the battle, blood, gory
 In the dust of eternity they meet
 Under the sod and the dew
 Waiting the judgement day
 Under the laurel the Blue
 Under the laurel the Grey
- (2) From the silence of sorrowful hours
 The desolate mourners go
 Lovingly laden with flowers
 Alike for the Friend and the Foe.
 Under the sod, and the dew
 Waiting the judgement day
 Under the lilies the Blue
 Under the lilies the Grey
- Or the winding rivers run red
 They have banished our anger forever
 When they laurel the graves of our dead.
 Under the sod, and the dew
 Waiting the judgement day
 Love and tears for the Blue
 Tears and Love for the Grey

CIVIL WAR NURSES

"You have given your boys to die for their country; now you can give your girls to nurse them." (Nurse Mary Stinebaugh to her father in 1863)

Some historians believe that somewhere between 3,000 and 8,000 women volunteered their services as nurses throughout the duration of the Civil War, the majority of them being from northern states. However, such an estimate is questionable due to the fact that several nurses, upon receiving appointments, refused to have their names recorded in the official books. Mrs. M. J. Boston once said to the surgeon she was working under, "I do not want any pay for my services. I only try to do all I can for the soldiers." Other women who made similar decisions found it even more difficult to collect pensions later in their lives. With the lack of documentation, it is nearly impossible to claim the exact number of women who performed duty as nurses. Yet, we do know that their work was greatly appreciated by the men they cared for. John G. B. Adams, once the National Commander of the G.A.R., expressed that the memory of these nurses "will ever live in the hearts of the veterans they nursed with such tender care."

Although this web site will never reach completion, I have attempted to revive the memory of the female nurses, both northern and southern, by providing accurate information on the work they accomplished. Because this is a work in progress, please feel free to email me with any questions, comments, or concerns. My goal is only to preserve the legacy of these nurses so they may not be forgotten.

"And who were they all? -- They were many, my men:
Their record was kept by no tabular pen:
They exist in traditions from father to son.
Who recalls, in dim memory, now here and there one. -A few names were writ, and by chance live to-day;
But's a perishing fast fading away."

(from "The Women Who Went To The War" by Clara Barton)



OUR WOMEN AND THE WAR-[tes Pare 104]

Source: Congressional Cemetery, Washington DC – Association for the Preservation of Historic Congressional Cemetery

Memorial Day Celebrations (1870-1879)

The Evening Star, May 30, 1873
Congressional and Glenwood Cemeteries

The pleasant duty of decorating the graves of union soldiers at Congressional and Glenwood cemeteries was assigned to Comrade A.J. Gunning, who, accompanied by two comrades and Mrs. Marie Barton Greene, left Grand Army hall, corner of 9th and D streets, in a carriage, at half-past seven o'clock, carrying wreaths, flowers and flags. They first proceeded to the Congressional cemetery, where they decked the tomb of Gen. John A. Rawlins, formerly Secretary of War, with flowers and garlands. A few days since a letter was received by an officer of the G.A.R. from the widow of Gen. Rawlins, expressing the hope that his tomb would not be overlooked in the decoration ceremonies, and a reply was at once forwarded, stating that the request would of course be cheerfully complied with, and that the G.A.R. had already made arrangements to pay special honors to the memory of the deceased soldier and statesman. At the tomb of Gen. Rawlins a prayer was offered by Dr. Bogan, and a poem, composed for the occasion by Mrs. M.B. Greene, was read by that lady. After the decoration of the graves of the few union soldiers whose remains repose in this cemetery, the committee proceeded to Glenwood, where, after appropriate religious services, the graves of the union dead were decorated with flowers, garlands and miniature flags. At the conclusion of the ceremonies, the party left for Arlington, where they joined the main body of the G.A.R.

From the Civil war blog by John Banks:

August 28, 2014:

On June 11, 1864, 10 days after he had been severely wounded at the Battle of Cold Harbor, 19 year-old Charles Adams arrived in Washington aboard the hospital steamship Monitor. It was a quiet sunny morning, so calm on the Potomac River that there was barely a ripple on the water.

After all the other wounded men had been taken from the ship, only Adams remained. A surgeon advised against moving the corporal in the 2nd Connecticut Heavy Artillery because he believed Adams had only a short time to live. A woman named Marie Barton Greene, a nurse with the U.S. Sanitary Commission, arrived to provide comfort for the teenager from Litchfield, Connecticut.

A short time after Greene boarded the Monitor, she asked Adams if he had a keepsake for his family, but he didn't or couldn't communicate. "He seemed waiting, watching for the time to come, and said distinctly, "I am ready to go." the nurse recalled before he "fell asleep in death as calmly and noiselessly as falls an autumn leaf to the soft green sod beneath."

In a letter to Adams' sister months later, Greene recalled witnessing the suffering of other soldiers. "I have stood by the side of many a dying soldier and I cannot tell you how it has pained my heart to see them dying without a hope in Jesus," she wrote. A distant relative of famed Civil War nurse Clara Barton, Greene signed the note, "The Soldiers Friend."

On June 19, 1864 a service for Adams was held at the Congregational Church in Litchfield near the town green and a short distance from the road on which he and his comrades marched off to war in mid-September 1862. Afterward, Adams' coffin was taken a quarter-mile to East Cemetery accompanied by three officers from the 2nd Connecticut Heavy Artillery and soldiers from the 1st Connecticut, and a following a prayer, the 19-year-old's remains were buried.

Months later, Greene still had the young man in her thoughts. She requested a photo of Adams from his sister. "Perhaps I am asking too much of you but I have given much time and attention to soldiers at the wharf as they came from the front and the hospitals," she wrote to Mary Adams. "Consequently, I have become

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deeply interested in some and I am now collecting photographs of some with circumstances connected with my meeting them. If you have an extra one of your brother Charlie, I would be very grateful for it." When she finally received an image, she thanked Mary, calling it "perfect."

Greene died in 1907 at age 79 and is buried in Prospect Hill Cemetery in Uxbridge, Massachusetts.

For a special project, I hope to find photos of Adams or Greene. If you can help, email me at:

jbankstx@comcast.net

June 6, 2016, also from John Banks blog:

A politician from home was on board the Monitor and greeted Adams. "The poor boy said he was willing to die and felt prepared, said he was a soldier of the Cross....he talked much about the family and especially inquired about his sisters."

Informed of their son's condition, Charles Adams Sr. and his wife were enroute from Litchfield to find him but had left Connecticut without knowing the whereabouts of Charlie, one of their 10 children.

Nurse Marie Greene brought a box of cordials for the wounded teenager and almost immediately was drawn to the son of a Litchfield judge.

Perhaps it was Adams' age or maybe his dreadful wounds, all considered life-threatening, or maybe it was because Adams was the lone soldier on the boat on the Potomac. But Marie Greene was captivated by the corporal with the "sweet face, patient mild demeanor and wounded helpless suffering...condition."

The 36-year-old woman had seen plenty of death during the war as a nurse for the U.S. Sanitary Commission, a private relief agency that provided invaluable aid to soldiers. "I have stood by the side of many a dying soldier and I cannot tell you how it has pained my heart to see them dying without a hope in Jesus," she later wrote.

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Greene thought of herself as "The Soldier's Friend," and even signed correspondence that way. Her devotion to the needs of soldiers was so impressive that a clergyman later in the war wrote "not all the angels are confined to heaven."

Greene bathed the teenager's temple, gave him wine and water and endeavored to keep Adams comfortable. If she only had nursed this soldier since he was cut down at Cold harbor, she thought.

"I only wish they were here," Charlie softly repeated to Nurse Greene, a reference to his parents. Sadly, they had traveled to the White House, Virginia, and were unaware that their son had been transported to Washington.

While Greene sat by him, the teenager asked for something to support his arm so she placed a folded blanket on her lap and rested it in it, bringing him temporary relief. He spoke quietly to the politician and Greene, then fell silent.

Greene wrote to his sister: "My dear lady. It was a sad yet noble sight to witness such a scene. In the quiet sunny morning - on that little Monitor - upon the calm sunlighted Potomac. A hero yielding up his breath for the sake of his country. A faithful soldier of his country and a devoted soldier of the cross. O what a sweet consolation for mourning friends to reflect that he lived a noble life and died in a glorious cause - serving God and country."

Mary Greene even wrote a poem in Adams' memory - a few lines, she noted in her letter, "suggested by meeting and watching beside your darling brother Charles in his last moments. It read in part:

He smile upon me in his pain
until he sank to rest

My mission was not there in vain
I was a welcome guest

Stranger we met, yet in his eye
I saw how he had striven

And loved him, nobly thus to die
For country, God and heaven.

Friends of the fallen hero boy
Beneath the chastening rod

Great was the sacrifice - but now



Your Charlie lives with God.

Shortly after Lee surrendered at Appomattox, Marie Greene gained the notice of General Grant who instructed commanding officers that the nurse be provided with free transportation and access to sick and wounded soldiers.

In the decades after the war, she sought a government pension, noting that her wartime service had left her sickly. But despite the support of veterans, her plea was originally rejected.

"During my weeks of pain and suffering," a 39th Massachusetts officer who had been wounded at the Battle of Spotsylvania Courthouse wrote: "I had occasion to note the earnestness and self-sacrificing spirit with which Mrs. Greene gave her whole energies and time exclusive of her own comfort."

In February 1901, six years before her death at age 79 of pneumonia, Congress finally approved a \$12 a month pension for the ex-army nurse.

What she did with her collection of soldier's photos from the Civil War is lost to history.

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U.S., Civil War Soldier Records and Profiles, 1861-1865

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UPTON Residence: Massachusetts

Occupation: Mechanic

Age at enlistment: 29

Enlistment Date: 8 Aug 1862

> Rank at 1st Sergeant

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State Served: Massachusetts

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Survived the Yes

War?:

Service Record: Enlisted in Company I, Massachusetts 36th Infantry Regiment on 27 Aug

1862. Promoted to Full 2nd Lieutenant on 31 Jul 1863. Promoted to Full

1st Lieutenant on 23 Apr 1864. Mustered out on 11 Nov 1864.

Birth Date: abt 1833

Death Date: 14 Apr 1905

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Description:

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Marie Banton
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LATE COMMON PLEAS JUDGE.

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Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 20 day of October 1893.

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Washington, L.C.,

Com. of Pensions.

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May 31, 1900.

Respectfully returned to the COMMISSIONER OF PENSIONS.

In the absence of any official record evidence of service or of payments therefor, the service of claimant as within alleged cannot in my opinion be accepted as employment by competent authority and service coming within the provisions of the Act of August 5, 1892

Surgeon General, U. S. Army.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,

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May 29, 1900.

To the Surgeon General,

United States Army.

Dear Sir:

I have the honor to transmit herewith papers in the claim No. 1,146,822 of Marie Barton Greene, who alleges service as a murse from 1863 to 1860, and requesting a report as to whether there is any record of her service and payment, and if not whether the evidence is sufficient to show that she was employed as claimed.

Very respectfully, Javin Sort.

First Deputy Commissioner.

13 Enclosures.

Hon. Commissioner of Pensions

26 Clay E Street

Dear Sir,

I received yesterday your letter of inquiry through Hon. John R. Thayer of this City – requesting the address of Mrs. Marie Barton Greene in reference to a Special Bill passed by the Last Congress for remuneration of her services as Army Nurse. He has sent me the letter = as claimant = to and me the undersigned address is correct in every respect.

Very Respectfully,

Mrs. Marie Barton Greene 9 Aetna St. Worcester Mass

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56th Congress 2nd Session – December 3, 1900 – March 4, 1901 Pages on Marie Barton Greene:

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Annual Report of the Department of Interior Volume 3 Part 1

Report of the Commissioner of Pensions Fiscal Year ended June 30, 1901

The following paragraphs were transcribed from the above report of <u>the Commissioner of Pensions</u>. It was found only the internet, at the University of California's library, here the Annual Report can be viewed and read only:

"It thus appears that the number of new applicants for pensions during the fiscal year 1901 was but 1,635 in excess of the number of new pensioners placed on the roll during the same period.

In my annual report for the year 1900 I predicted that during the fiscal year 1901 'filing of new claims will be largely in excess of those filed in any year since 1894, owing to the enactment of new legislation by the present Congress.' An examination of said item in this table shows that my prediction was fully verified."

"Table No. 16 is a report of the pension certificates issued during the fiscal year ended June 30, 1901. The following summaries will show the issues by classes, viz:

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Act of 1890	19,319	16,610	35,929
Army Nurses	25		25
War with Spain	2,795	1,240	4,035
Total	22,814	21,411	44,225

Pension Amounts Paid: Maximum rate to Invalids was \$12 a month

Maximum rate to widows was \$8 a month

Report of the Commission of Pensions (1901) continued:

"Table No. 22 shows in detail the special laws passed by the second Session of the Fifty-six Congress numbering 707; of this number 466 were for increase over ratings granted under the general laws through this Bureau and 241 granted original pensions to claimants that had no pensionable status under laws governing the Bureau. The first Session of this Congress passed 684 Special Acts granting pensions, making a total of 1,391 Special Acts for Congress." - Page 27.

The Commissioner of Pension's annual report for Fiscal Year ending June 30, 1901, continues with more information, specifically outlining the difficulties faced by the Bureau; the result of Congress changing and adding laws which changed the conditions under which pensioners or their families could apply for war pensions. He also outlines the problems caused by the increase in the number of lawyers filing on behalf of pensioners and potential new pensioners, or for their widows. He discusses the increase in "pending" claims, that now take longer to implement due to people "hiring" several lawyers to increase their chances of obtaining pensions or increasing their monthly payments. He outlines the difficulty of "Old Soldier Homes" that don't return the money back to the soldiers' widows or dependent children after the soldiers' deaths. And finally, he describes multiple instances of fraud committed, and the methods employed by people to obtain these soldiers' pensions, or the widows, who attempt to continue their widow pensions after marrying a second time. – A very interesting report of the time period. – Jill Kenrick, August 17, 2013

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56TH CONGRESS, HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

| REPORT | No. 2197.

MARIE BARTON GREENE.

JANUARY 9, 1901.—Committed to the Committee of the Whole House and ordered to be printed.

Mr. Shaw, from the Committee on Invalid Pensions, submitted the following

REPORT.

[To accompany H. R. 12434.]

The Committee on Invalid Pensions, to whom was referred the bill (H. R. 12434) granting a pension to Marie Barton Greene, submit the following report:

This bill proposes to pension this beneficiary as late an army nurse

at \$12 per month from and after February, 1893.

The beneficiary named in this bill, and now 55 years of age, applied for pension under the army-nurse act of August 5, 1892, alleging that she served as a volunteer nurse in a number of general hospitals in the city of Washington, also in camp and field and on hospital boats, from about February, 1863, until the close of the war, and in support of her claim filed in the Pension Bureau the affidavit of Lieutenant White, of the Thirty-sixth Massachusetts Infantry, as to her services as nurse in Campbell Hospital, Washington, D. C., in 1864, while the affiant was an inmate of said hospital, and also later in the field hospitals of the Ninth Army Corps, near Petersburg.

She also filed with your committee a number of letters and testimonials signed by the Hons. Ginnery Twitchell, George F. Hoar, W. B. Washburne, and H. L. Dawes, of the Third, Eighth, Ninth, and Tenth Massachusetts districts, testifying to her record of entire devotion to the Union cause, and to her earnest labor for the sick and wounded, and to her sacrifices and free expenditure of her own money for the soldiers' comforts; and like testimonials as to her employment as nurse from Hons. W. W. Rice and W. W. Crapo; and also an order signed by Gen. U. S. Grant, dated Headquarters Armies of the United States, Washington, D. C., July 4, 1865, and which reads as follows:

Special permission is hereby granted to Mrs. Marie Batton Greene to visit all the armies of the United States for the purpose of looking after and administering to the sick and wounded soldiers.

For this purpose, commanding officers are requested to afford her proper facilities. Free transportation will be furnished her on chartered steamers and military

Also a testimonial, dated Washington, D. C., June 5, 1865, which reads as follows:

The undersigned would most respectfully represent that Mrs. Marie Barton Greene is one of those patriotic ladies who has been untiring and self-sacrificing in her efforts to relieve the sufferings of the sick and wounded soldiers in hospitals, in tents, and at the war, where the brave defenders of her country were being removed to hospitals, her peculiar adaptation to the work in which she has been engaged enabling her to be successful where many others would have failed.

Most nobly has she performed her part as a true Christian and philanthropist during this great struggle for freedom.

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We most cheerfully and earnestly recommend her as a lady of education and refinement and worthy of the confidence and kind consideration of all good people

President Soldiers' Relief Association, Commissioner of Public Buildings.

Chairman of District Committee of U. S. Christian Commission.

S. J. BOWEN. Postmaster, Washington, D. C.

J. A. GRAHAM, Acting Register, Treasury Department. D. W. BLISS

Surgeon, U. S. A., in Charge of Armory Square Hospital.

Chaplain, U. S. A., at Campbell Hospital, Washington, D. C.

Among other affidavits filed in the Pension Office was one from William G. Finney, of Washington, D. C., who testified that the beneficiary came to his house on the corner of Ninth and H streets NW. some time in the early part of 1863 and made her home there from that time until September, 1864, and began acting as a volunteer nurse in the hospitals some time in 1863 and afterwards appointed an army nurse by the subordinate officers of the Surgeon-General, United States Army, and that afterwards General Grant (in July, 1864), in recognition of her services, issued a special order for her employment as nurse; that the nature of her service was watching with soldiers, dressing wounds, administering medicine and nourishment to the sick and wounded and dying soldiers in the hospitals and in the field at the front, and that from her labor and exposure she contracted a disease which for a time threatened to be fatal; that although she partially recovered, her health had been permanently impaired.

Other testimonials, given by the agent of the Sanitary Commission in Washington in April, 1865, and by the president of the Ladies' Soldiers' Relief Association, testify to her services as nurse to the sick

The War Department, however, has no record of her service, and the Surgeon-General of the Army, to whom the testimony and testimonials had been referred by the Pension Bureau, stated under date of May 31, 1900, that in the absence of any official record evidence of service or of payment therefor the service of the claimant could not, in his opinion, he considered as employment by competent authority and service coming within the provisions of the act of August 5, 1892. Hence the beneficiary is barred from title under the law governing the pensioning of army nurses, passed August 5, 1892.

The beneficiary also filed the statement of Dr. Howard, of this city,

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dated September 28, 1869, to the effect that he treated her for acute pneumonia, contracted from exposure as nurse in the military hospitals around Washington, D. C., in the winter of 1864; that she had been troubled with the usual attendant consequences of this disease ever since.

Your committee is satisfied from the proof above stated that this beneficiary comes within the spirit if not the letter of the army-nurse act of August 5, 1892, and hence recommend the passage of the bill after the same shall have been amended as follows:

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In the same line, after the word "nurse," insert the words "in the Medical Department, United States Volunteers."

In line 7 strike out the words "from and after" and all of line 8.

56TH CONGRESS, 1 2d Session.

SENATE.

REPORT No. 2345.

MARIE BARTON GREENE.

February 19, 1901.—Ordered to be printed.

Mr. Gallinger, from the Committee on Pensions, submitted the following

REPORT.

[To accompany H. R. 12434.]

The Committee on Pensions, to whom was referred the bill (H. R. 12434) granting a pension to Marie Barton Greene, have examined the same and report:

The report of the Committee on Invalid Pensions of the House of Representatives, hereto appended, is adopted and the passage of the bill is recommended.

HOUSE REPORT.

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"Special permission is hereby granted to Mrs. Marie Barton Greene to visit all the armies of the United States for the purpose of looking after and administering to the sick and wounded soldiers.

"For this purpose, commanding officers are requested to afford her proper facilities. "Free transportation will be furnished her on chartered steamers and military railroads."

Also a testimonial, dated Washington, D. C., June 5, 1865, which reads as follows: "The undersigned would most respectfully represent that Mrs. Marie Barton Greene is one of those patriotic ladies who has been untiring and self-sacrificing in her efforts to relieve the sufferings of the sick and wounded soldiers in hospitals, in there ellors to relieve the sufferings of the star and wounded soldiers in nospitals, in tents, and at the war, where the brave defenders of her country were being removed to hospitals, her peculiar adaptation to the work in which she has been engaged enabling her to be successful where many others would have failed.

"Most nobly has she performed her part as a true Christian and philanthropist

during this great struggle for freedom.

"We most cheerfully and earnestly recommend her as a lady of education and refinement and worthy of the confidence and kind consideration of all good people wherever her lot may be cast.

"B. B. FRENCH, "President Soldiers' Relief Association, Commissioner of Public Buildings.

"WILLIAM BALLENTYNE, "Chairman of District Committee of U. S. Christian Commission.

"S. J. BOWEN,

"Postmaster, Washington, D. C.

"J. A. GRAHAM, "Acting Register, Treasury Department.

"D. W. BLISS,

"Surgeon, U. S. A., in Charge of Armory Square Hospital. "W. M. GAYLORD,

"Chaplain, U. S. A., at Campbell Hospital, Washington, D. C."

Among other affidavits filed in the Pension Office was one from William G. Finney, of Washington, D. C., who testified that the beneficiary came to his house on the corner of Ninth and H streets NW. some time in the early part of 1863 and made her home there from that time until September, 1864, and began acting as a volunteer nurse in the hospitals some time in 1863 and afterwards appointed an army nurse by the subordinate officers of the Surgeon-General, United States Army, and that afterwards General Grant (in July, 1864), in recognition of her services, issued a special order for her employment as nurse; that the nature of her service was watching with soldiers, dressing wounds, administering medicine and nourishment to the sick and wounded and dying soldiers in the hospitals and in the field at the front, and that from her labor and exposure she contracted a disease which for a time threatened to be fatal; that although she partially recovered, her health had been permanently

Other testimonials, given by the agent of the Sanitary Commission in Washington in April, 1865, and by the president of the Ladies' Soldiers' Relief Association, testify

to her services as nurse to the sick and wounded.

The War Department, however, has no record of her service, and the Surgeon-General of the Army, to whom the testimony and testimonials had been referred by the Pension Bureau, stated under date of May 31, 1900, that in the absence of any official record evidence of service or of payment therefor the service of the claimant could not, in his opinion, be considered as employment by competent authority, and service coming within the provisions of the act of August 5, 1892. Hence the beneficiary is barred from title under the law governing the pensioning of army nurses, passed August 5, 1892.

passed August 5, 1892.

The beneficiary also filed the statement of Dr. Howard, of this city, dated September 28, 1869, to the effect that he treated her for acute pneumonia, contracted from exposure as nurse in the military hospitals around Washington, D. C., in the winter of 1864; that she had been troubled with the usual attendant consequences of this

disease ever since.

Your committee is satisfied from the proof above stated that this beneficiary comes within the spirit if not the letter of the army-nurse act of August 5, 1892, and hence recommend the passage of the bill.

Thomas and Elizabeth (Ferguson) Parsons, of Poston. She was born in Boston, September 21, 253. The children of John J. and Jennie M. (Parturs) Griffin were: John, born in Worcester, Dember 7, 1884, died in infancy; Florence Mary, born in Worcester, March 20, 1888. She is a graduate of the Worcester Classical high school, class of 1905, being one of the six honor pupils, and is alting a graduate course to prepare for college.

BARTON FAMILY. Samuel Barton (1), the amigrant ancestor of Charles Albion Barton, of Oxbridge, Massachusetts, was also the progenitor all the old families of Worcester county of this same, many of whom have been prominent. the is known of his life before he came to Fram-gham. He settled in Salem and was a witness one of the famous witchcraft cases. It is not en known that he was an immigrant. Marmaduke arton was in Salem in 1638 and Samuel, who was robably not born before 1650, may have been a na-we of Salem. He was in Watertown for a short lime and received the usual "warning" that newomers got when moving into a Puritan colony, nder date of June 16, 1693. He was in Framingham 1699 and perhaps earlier. His children are all corded in Framingham, although the two eldest ere born elsewhere. He bought what was known the Elliott grist mill at Oxford. He bought a borth part of the "corn mill," one home lot of orty acres and ten acres adjoining, also fifty acres the second division on Long Hill and various her lots of land in Oxford together with the right common October 19, 1716, for eighty-five pounds, Jonathan Provender. He was then of Framingm, but his daughter was called of Oxford when e married, December 17, 1716, so he must have oved in the fall of 1716. He was formally disissed by the Framingham church to the Oxford burch January 15, 1721, and he was one of the riginal members of the church at Oxford. Bebre he died he gave one-half his homestead to his br Joshua. He died September 12, 1732. His will dated June 13, 1732, and was proved September 1732. He bequeathed to all his children, leaving lands not previously disposed of to Caleb, his ird son.

He married Hannah Bridges, daughter of Eddind Bridges, of Salem, probably, and Edmund
ridges, Jr., also settled in Framingham. The chilen of Samuel and Hannah Barton were: 1. Samd, Jr., horn October 8, 1691, married, May 23, 1715,
lizabeth Bellows, of Marlboro, one of the thirty
riginal settlers of the town of Sutton; blacksmith
e trade; was selectman and town treasurer; reloved 1748 to Dudley; his son Bezaleel was killed
the battle of Bunker Hill; he was the ancestor
the Barton family at Coryden, New Hampshire.
Mercy, born May 22, 1694, married (intentions
becember 17, 1716) David Town. 3. Joshua, born
etember 24, 1697, settled in Leicester. 4. Elisha,
orn April 22, 1701, resided at Sutton, South Hadand Granby, Massachusetts. 5. Caleb, born Feblary 9, 1705, resided at Framingham and Charlton.
Jedediah, born September 18, 1707, settled in
orth Oxford. 7. Mehitable, born August 22, 1710,
arried, November 12, 1730, Samuel Duncan, of
borcester, where she died 1742. 8. Edmund, born

Migust 5, 1714, mentioned below.

(II) Edmund Barton, son of Samuel Barton
), was born in Framingham, Massachusetts, Auust 5, 1714. He removed to Oxford with the fam-

ily when he was only two years old. He made his home in the second parish of Sutton, now the first parish of Millbury, and was prominent in town and church affairs. He was often named on important committees of the church and he had one notable difference with the minister over a religious service he held at his own house without asking permission of the minister. He was appointed on many of the important church committees and was evidently a leading man in his day. He was a soldier in the

French and Indian wars.

Mr. B. B. Vassell, late of Worcester, author and compiler of the family genealogy, states that Edmund was "bound out" at the age of thirteen, shortly before his father's death. He married, April 9, 1739, Ann Flynt, of Salem. She was born June 9, 1718, and died at Sutton, now Millbury, March 20, 1795. Edmund Barton died there December 13, 1799, and is buried with his wife in the old burying ground at Millbury. The children of Edmund and Anna Barton were: I. Dr. Stephen, born June 10, 1740, at Sutton; studied medicine under Dr. Green, of Leicester; was trader at Oxford 1764-6; landlord 1766-9; removed to Vassaloboro, Maine; returned to Oxford, 1790, but went again to Maine and died there October 21, 1804; grandfather of the late Judge Ira M. Barton, father of Edmund M. Barton, librarian of the American Antiquarian Society at Worcester; grandfather of Clara Barton (Clarissa H., born December 25, 1821, daughter of Stephen and Sarah (Stone) Barton. Sarah Stone was the daughter of Captain David and Sarah (Treadwell) Stone. Clara Barton is the famous Red Cross leader.) 2. Mary, born June 10, 1742, married Obadiah Brown, of Sutton. 3. Hannah, born September 22, 1744, married Samuel Boutelle and had three children. 4. Jedediah, born May 6, 1747, settled in Sutton; married Lydia Pierce. 5. Flynt, born December 3, 1749 (or April 3, according to records of Pliny Barton), mentioned below. 6. Elijah, born April 22, 1752, died June 5, 1756, by drowning. 7. Gideon, born April 22, 1754, died June, 1756. 8. Ann, born August 1, 1750, married, April 29, 1778, David Gibson. 9. Luke, born February 1, 1759. 10. Eunice, born May 22, 1761, married Grindall Keith. (III) Elvert Barton sen of Edmund Barton (2).

(III) Flynt Barton, son of Edmund Barton (2), was born in Sutton, now Millbury, Massachusetts, December 3, 1749. He learned the blacksmith trade and followed it during his active years. He settled in Sidney, Maine, where he died May 12, 1833. He married Lydia Crosby, daughter of Jonah Crosby. His wife was born in New Ipswich, Massachusetts, November 23, 1758, and died at Sidney, Maine, November 25, 1821. Their children, all born at Sidney, were: Edmund, born April 8, 1779, died 1860, unmarried; Amos, born November 12, 1780, died young; Jonah, born July 13, 1782, died young; Otis, born May 24, 1784; Rufus, born August 28, 1786; Persia, born July 3, 1788; Crosby, born February 20, 1791; Stephen Flynt, born January 27, 1793, died September 26, 1810; Alfred, born March 18, 1795; Franklin, born May 12, 1797; Anson, born December 4, 1799, mentioned below; Dean W., born December

21, 1802, died 1830.

(IV) Anson Barton, son of Flynt Barton (3), was born at Sidney, Maine, December 4, 1799. He settled in Sidney, Maine, and died there September 17, 1853. He married Rhoda Sisson, daughter of Jonathan Sisson. She was born in the parish of Douglass, province of New Brunswick, Canada, February 18, 1806. The children of Anson and Rhoda Barton were: Albion, born October 3, 1826, died April

14, 1875, mentioned below; George Sisson, born August 17, 1828; Greenleaf, born at Sidney, May 2, 1831; Herrick S., born at Hallowell, Maine, March 1831; Herrick S., born at Hallowell, Maine, March 14, 1833; Jonathan Quincy, born March 20, 1834; Anson Bliss, born at Cambridgeport, November 27, 1836; Mary Helen, born October 26, 1838, died March 11, 1839; William Henry Harrison, born March 13, 1840; Ellen Victoria, born May 8, 1841, died February 23, 1846; Charles Carroll, born March 27, 1842, died February 4, 1847; Mary Ellen, born October 7, 1845; Caroline Augusta, born March 1, 1848

(V) Albion Barton, son of Anson Barton (4), was born in Sidney, Maine, October 3, 1826. He marwas born in Sidney, Maine, October 3, 1820. He married, November 11, 1850, Elizabeth A. Carr. Their children were: Charles A., born June 17, 1852, mentioned below; Frank Eugene, born August 20, 1756, died September 7, 1857; Frederick E., born December 20, 1857; Willard A., born November 24, 1865; Arthur P., born February 13, 1872.

(VI) Charles A. Barton, son of Albion Barton (5) was born Lune 17, 1822. He recided in Wick-

(5), was born June 17, 1852. He resided in Wickford, Rhode Island, and in 1875 removed to Uxbridge, Massachusetts, where he died March 12, 1877, in his twenty-fifth year. He married, Novem ber 1, 1871, Margaret Melvina Seagrave, daughter ber I, 1871, Margaret Melvina Seagrave, daughter of Charles E. and Abigail (Carter) Seagrave. Her father was born in Uxbridge, October I, 1825, and her mother was born in Pawtucket, June 12, 1824; they were married at Lunenburg, Massachusetts, May 3, 1848, and their children were: Edwin Carter, born February 12, 1849, died December 9, 1849; Margaret Melvina, born December 20, 1850, at Northbridge; Charles Scott, born August 9, 1852, at Uxbridge; Mary Abbie, born April 15, 1858; Annie, born October 17, 1859, died October 18, 1859; Augustus C. S., born July 20, 1868, at Uxbridge. The grandfather of Margaret Melvina was Iohn Seagrave. of Uxbridge, who married, March Nember 0, 1757, who married Sarah Dorrington, of Boston, born April 7, 1755; John, Sr., was a revolutionary soldier and fifer. The father of John Seagrave, Sr., was Edward Seagrave, born in England, 1722, farmer, captain in the revolution, settled in Uxbridge; married Lois White, January 6, 1757, the daughter of Joseph and Judith White, of Uxbridge. Edward Seagrave was son of the immigrant ancestor, John Seagrave, and his wife Sarah; John Seagrave died on the voyage over, leaving a wife and four children. The children of Charles A. and Margaret Melvina (Seagrave) Barton were: Charles Albion, born October 1, 1874, mentioned below; Elizabeth S., born October 7, 1876.

(VII) Charles Albion Barton, on of Charles

A. Barton (6), was born at Wickford, Rhode Island, October I, 1874. He was but one year old when his parents removed to Uxbridge, Massachusetts, where he has resided ever since. His father died when he was less than three years of age. He was educated in the public schools of Uxbridge and in Bryant & Stratton's Business College, at Providence, Rhode Island. He began his business career August 30, 1897, as clerk in the Uxbridge Savings Bank, and was elected treasurer of this institution January 10, 1904. He is also a trustee of the bank. Mr. Barton is interested in public affairs and especially in town matters. He is secretary and treasurer of the Prospect Hill Cemetery Association, and a di-rector of Blackstone National Bank. He is a mem-

ber of the board of registrars of the town. In polities he is a Republican. Mr. Barton is well known in Masonic circles and is at present (1906) wor-shipful master of Solomon Temple Lodge, A. F. and A. M. He is also a member of Uxbridge Lodge, Independent Order of Odd Fellows; of Wacantuck Lodge, Ancient Order of United Workmen; of Uxbridge Grange, Patrons of Husbandry; of the Savings Bank Treasurers Club of Massachusetts, and he is an associate member of H. H. Legg Post, Grand Army. He and his family attend the Congregational Church.

He married, September 12, 1899, Carrie E. Danrie married, September 12, 1899, Carrie E. Dali-iels, of Blackstone, Massachusetts. She died May 11, 1902. He married (second) Florence Julia Thayer, daughter of Frederick Thayer, of Woon-socket, Rhode Island, the woolen manufacturer whose mills are at North Oxford, Massachusetts. There was one child of the first marriage, Charles Seagrave Barton, born May 10, 1902.

EDDY WARNER PROUTY. This distinguished violinist is a son of Joel Eli and Minerva Prouty, and was born at Proutyville, or Lower Wire Village, Spencer, June 27, 1860. Mr. Prouty, who has been unusually successful in his musical career, inherited his love for the violin from his grandfather, Liberty, Prouty, a pioneer wire manufacturer, and his general passion for music from his mother, who was a fine alto singer of local reputation. From his earliest years Mr. Prouty longed to possess a violin, and when he was six years old, his parents gratified this wish, purchasing a violin fitted for a boy of his size, and hanging it on the Christmas tree in the Methodist Episcopal Church, in the winter of 1866. Methodist Episcopal Church, in the winter of 1866. This proved most acceptable but did not entirely meet his wishes. Two years later he took up piano practice with Edward L. Sumner, but his love for the violin increased with his years, and when he was ten years old, his father purchased for him the violin of his grandfather, Liberty Prouty, which had been in the possession of his brother Henry, and which Mr. Prouty treasures up to the present

Now for the first time he possessed an instru-ment which was satisfactory to his young mind, and commenced taking lessons from John Eastwood, a young English wire worker, living in Proutyville. His first lesson was "Yankee Doodle," and he was satisfied with his performance of this at the end of one week. The next lesson, "Money Musk," was too difficult for him, and after many trials and little progress, he became discouraged for the time, and abandoned further effort. This discouragement prevented any further attempt to get a musical educa-tion until he was seventeen years of age, except for a short time while he was at Wilbraham Academy, when he took lessons in harmony and on the piano, under Professor Hastings, in addition to his regu-lar studies. A contagious disease broke out among the scholars, and young Prouty left the school during his second term. He returned to his home, and when his strength was sufficiently restored he attended the high school for three years, but his only musical practice was singing for one year with his mother in the Methodist Episcopal church. He then attended Howe's Commercial College at Worcester, and acquired a knowledge of bookkeeping. Howorked for one year for D. A. Drury, in his book factory, having the promise of a position as bookkeeper at the end of the year. This promise was